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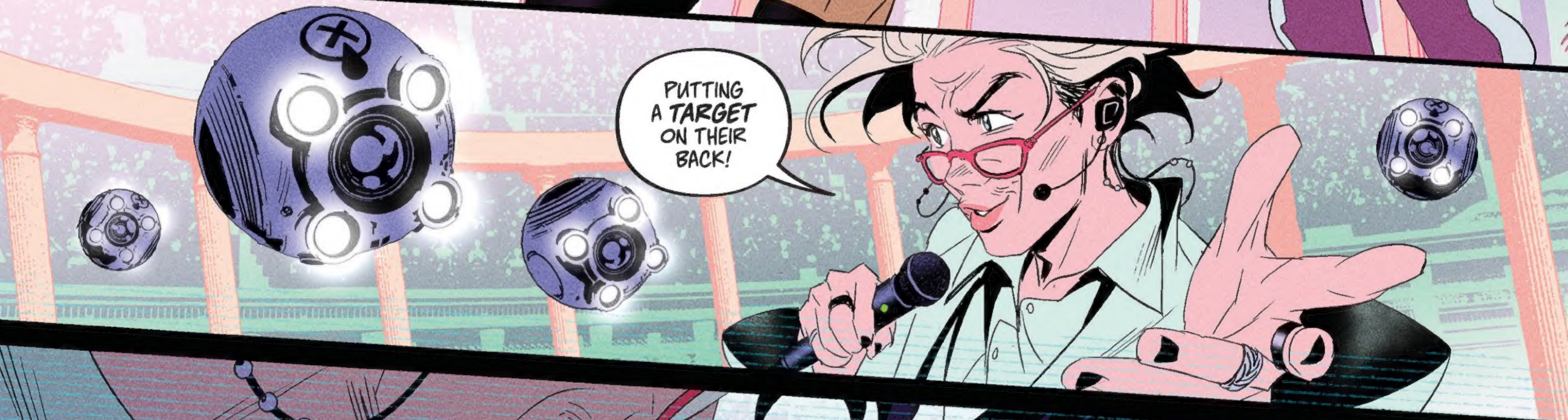
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WHAT AN UPSET! THERE'S A NEW TOURNAMENT TO DECIDE MOB'S HEIR...

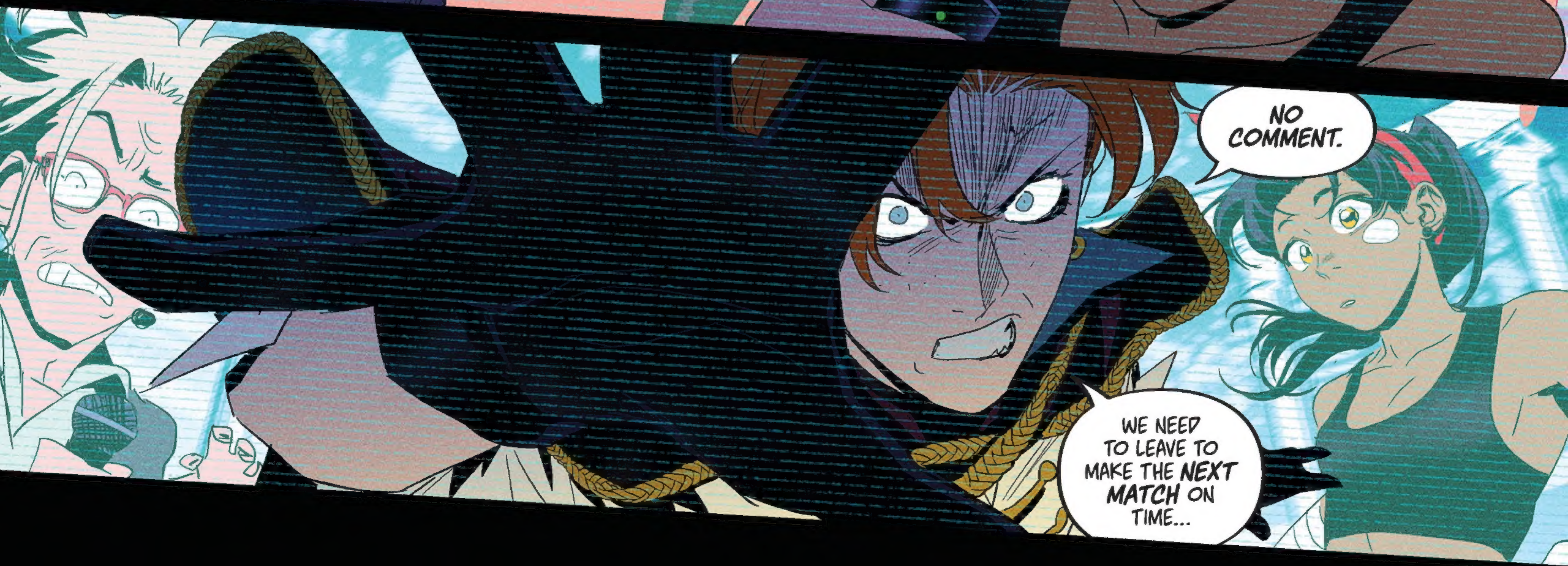
...BUT THANKS TO TRINI, TEAM CRUSHER IS BANNED FROM MURDERING!



PUTTING A TARGET ON THEIR BACK!



TRINI! WHAT SAY YOU ABOUT YOUR BOLD--SOME MIGHT SAY STUPID--DECLARATION?



NO COMMENT.

WE NEED TO LEAVE TO MAKE THE NEXT MATCH ON TIME...





AAAAAAH!

...AND YOU'RE WALKING!

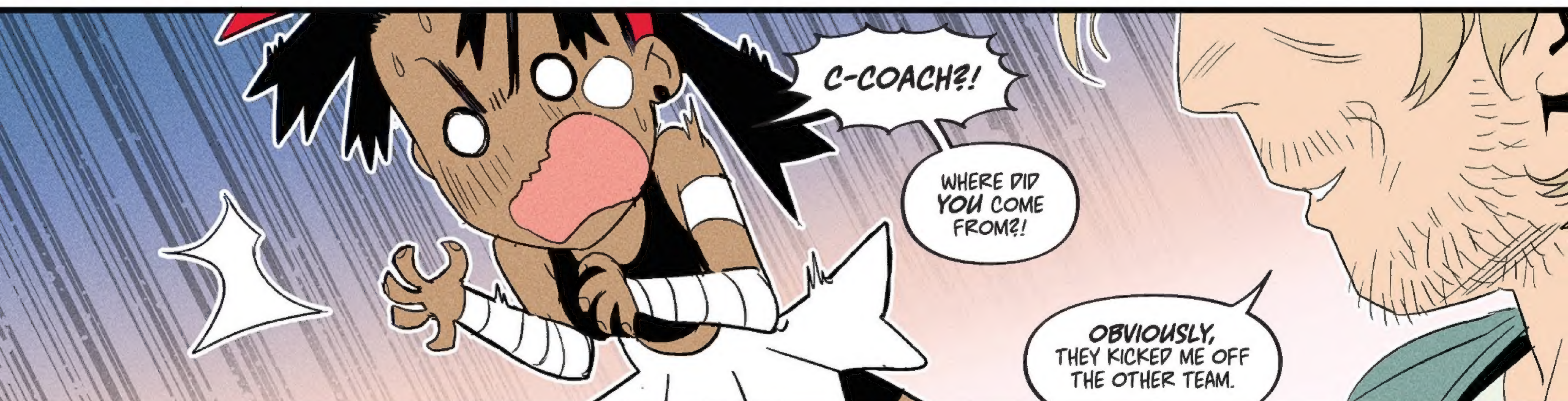
THUNK

THERE'S RADIATION OUT HERE!

YOU'RE A WASTELANDER. YOUR BONES GLOW, AND YOU THINK OLD AGE IS TWENTY-FIVE!

COME ON. YOU WOULDN'T LEAVE ME HERE... RIGHT?













...ACROSS  
THAT.



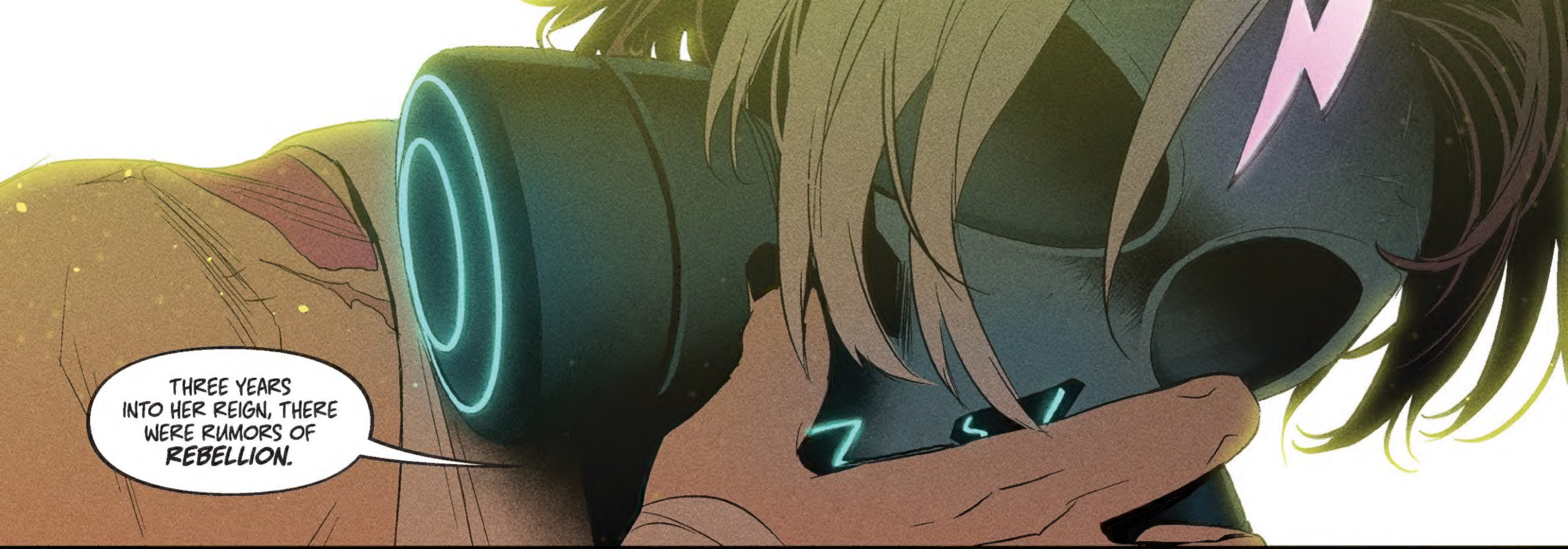
WHAT  
BAD WEEK  
THING HAPPENED  
HERE?



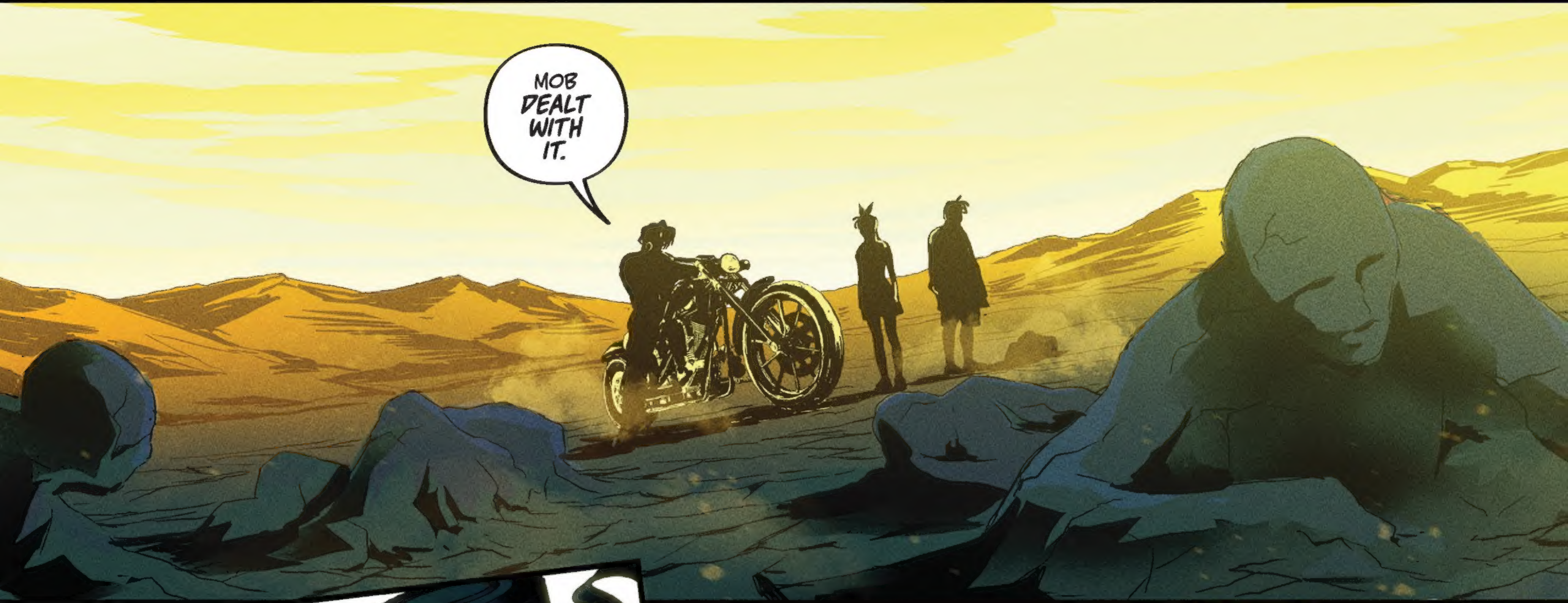
NOT  
THE BAD  
WEEK.

MOB.





THREE YEARS INTO HER REIGN, THERE WERE RUMORS OF REBELLION.



MOB DEALT WITH IT.



WHAP

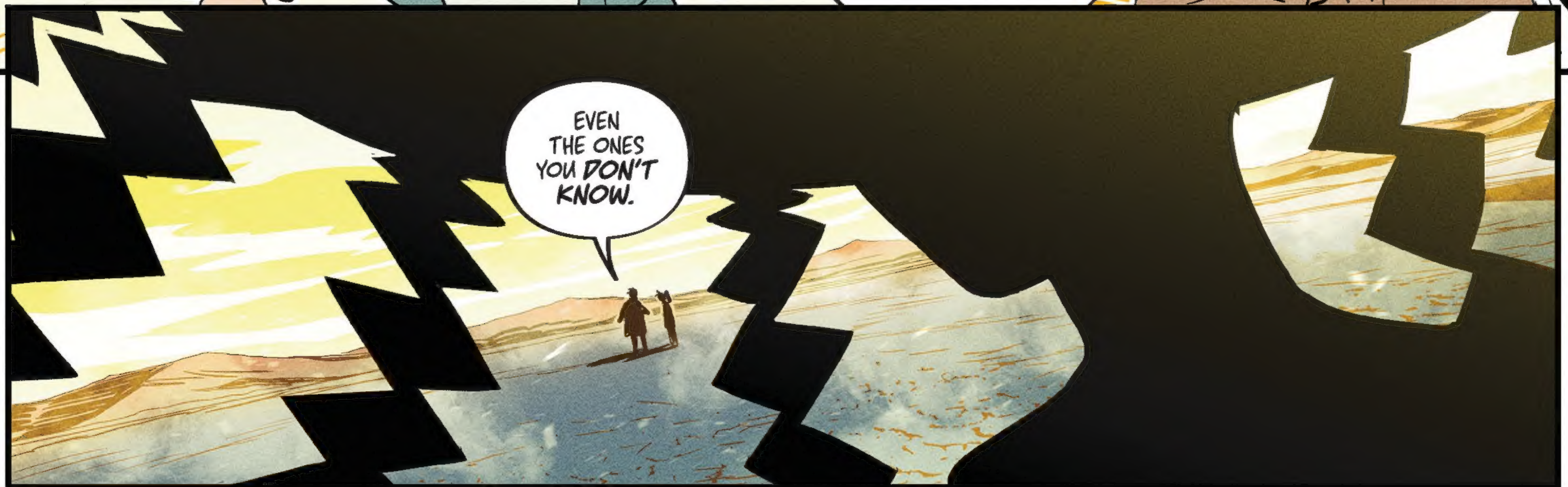
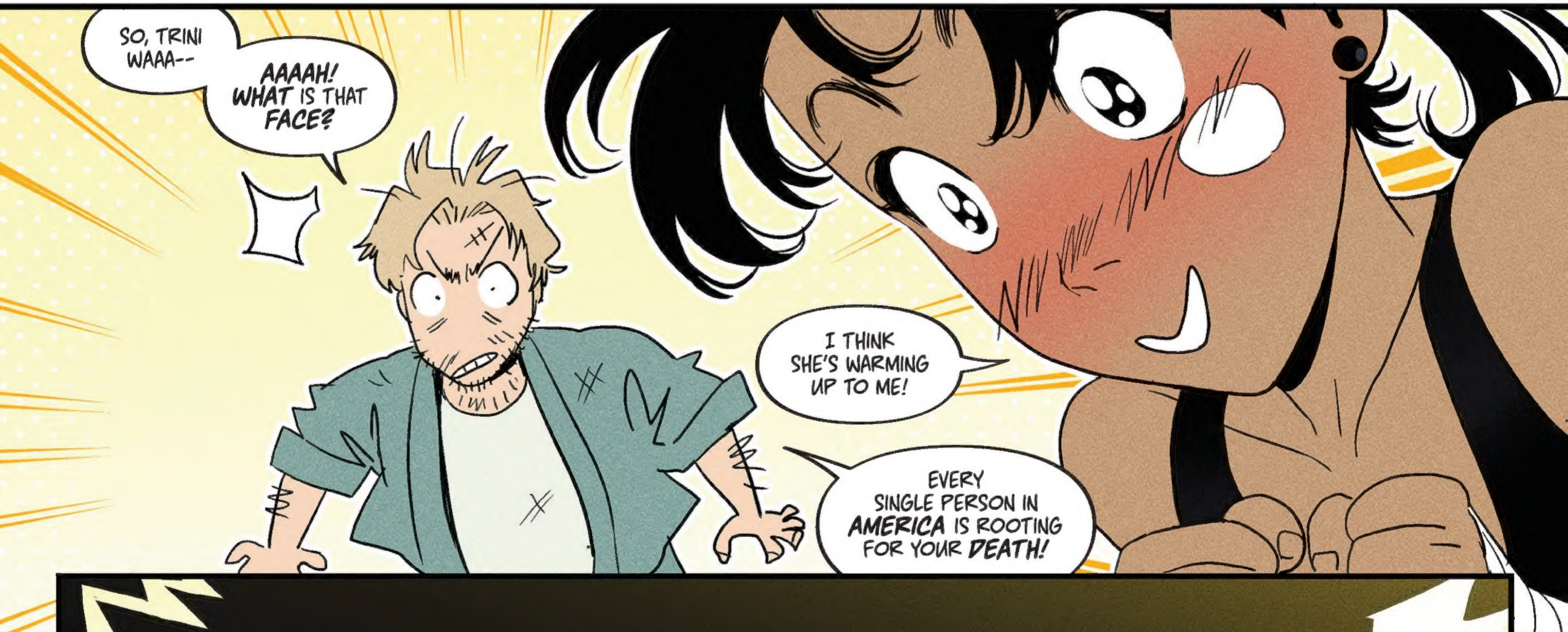
I'M GOING TO WIN LIKE I ALWAYS DO...

...AND THEN I'M GOING TO KILL YOU.

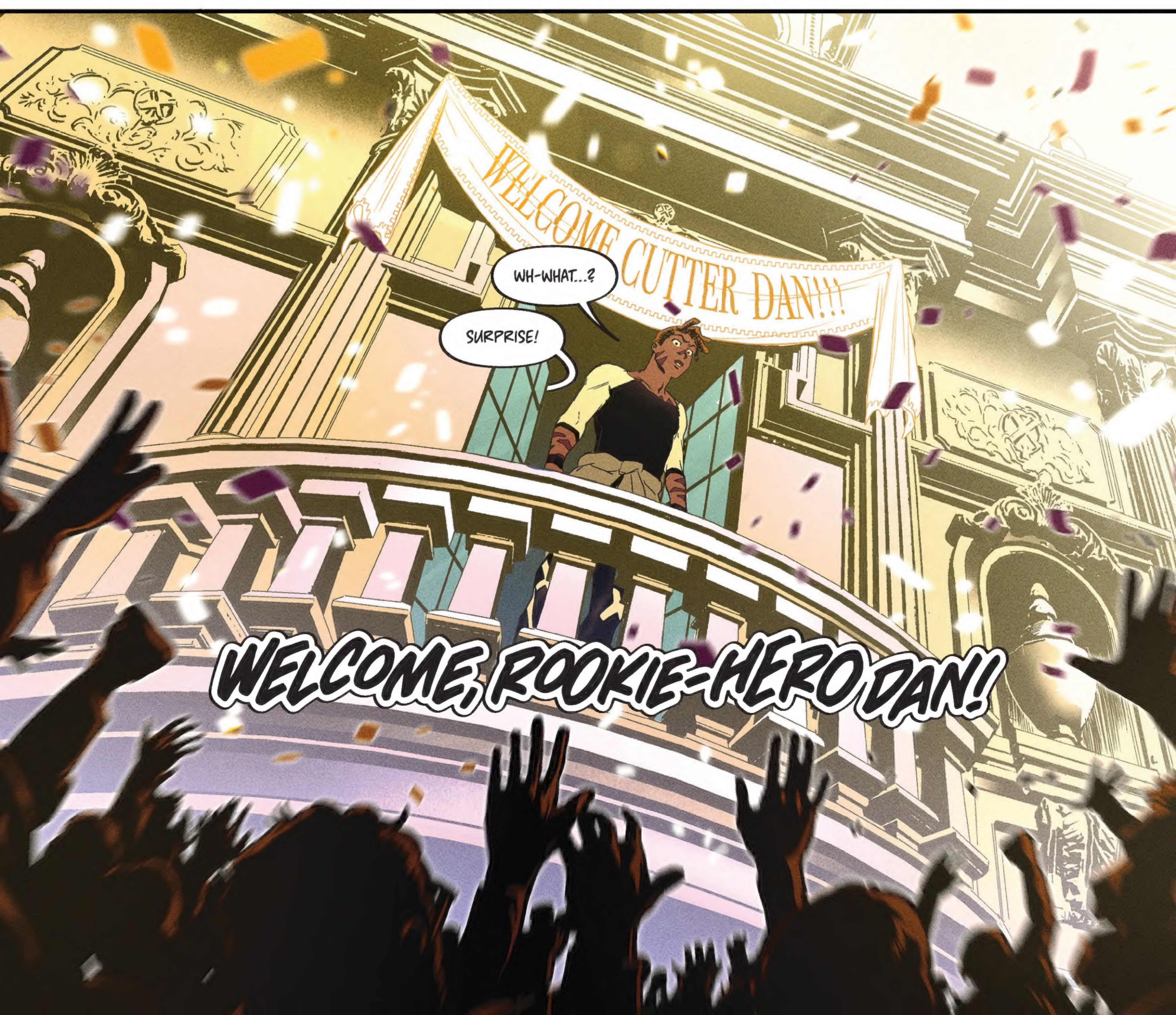
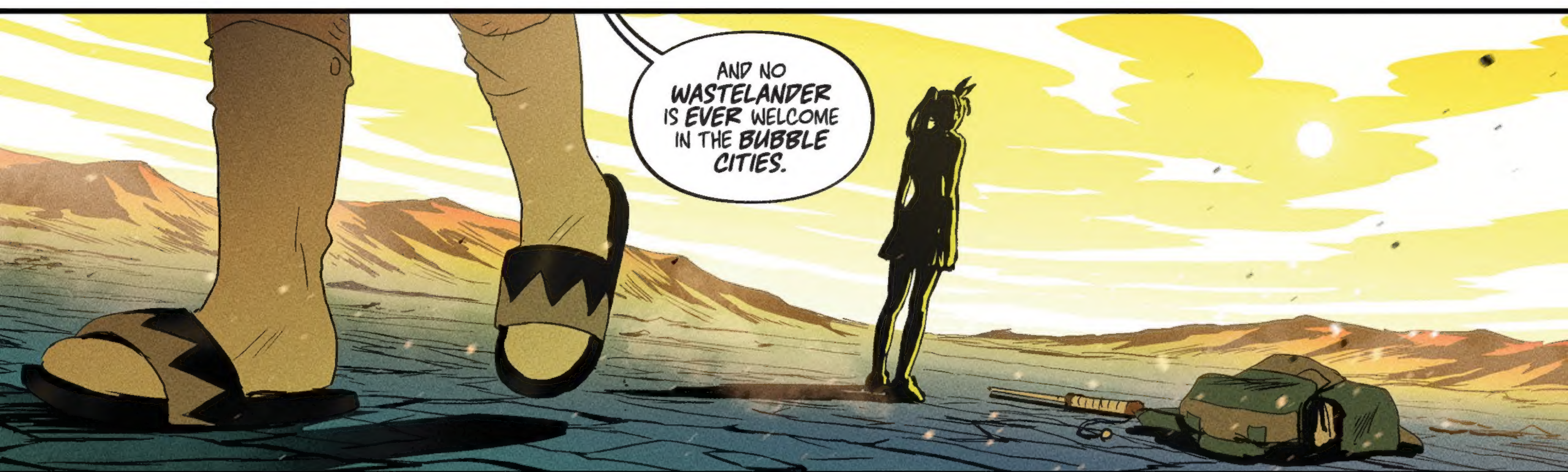
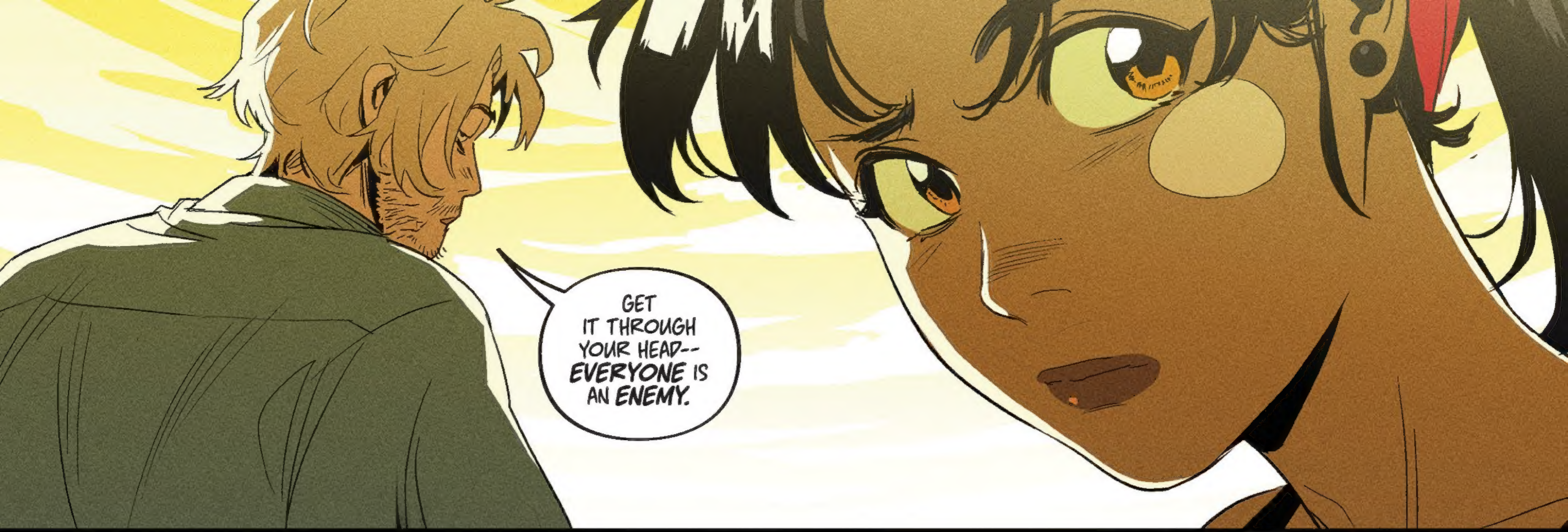
PUT THIS ON.

I REFUSE TO FORFEIT BECAUSE A TEAMMATE DIED ON THE WAY.













WELCOME  
TO YOUR TEAM  
QUARTERS IN  
PARADISE  
DOME.

DREAD  
OVERLORD  
SHRIKE! I  
DIDN'T--

EXPECT  
T'SEE ME? I'M NOT  
LIKE THE OTHERS.



I'M A COOL  
OVERLORD.



BESIDES, I WANNA  
MEET THE MAN WHO'LL  
PUT ME IN  
POWER...

...RIGHT?



...RIGHT.

GREAT!  
NOW, ALL YOU  
HAF'TA DO IS  
REST...



...AND  
WAVE TO  
YOUR  
FANS.



HOW  
DOES IT FEEL TO  
BE LOVED BY  
EVERYONE?





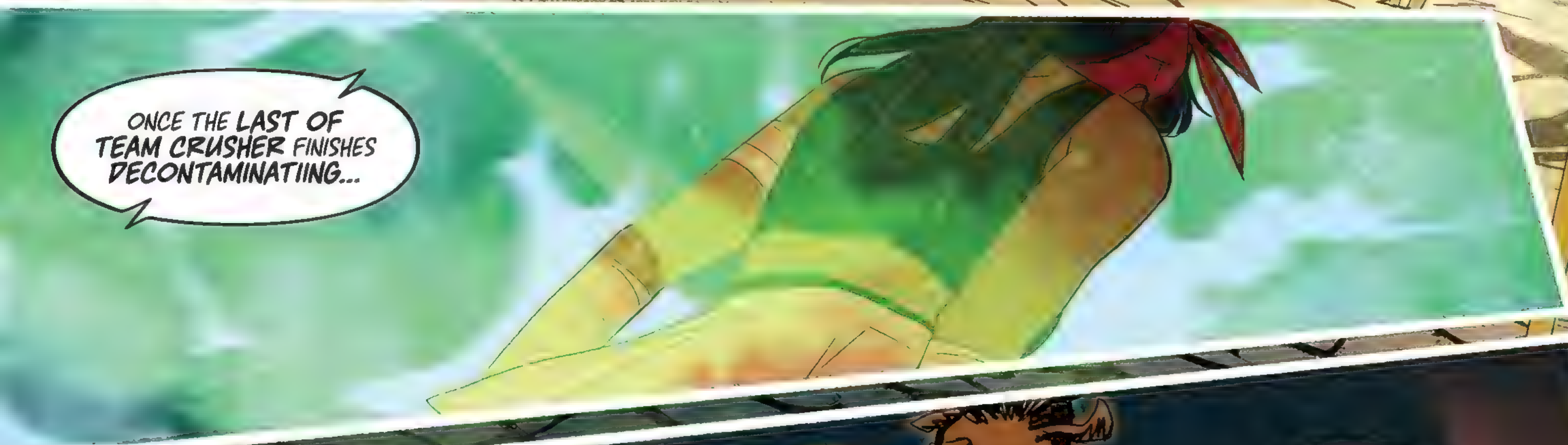
WAIT. WHAT SURPRISE?

WELL, GET USED TO IT.

'CAUSE AFTER TODAY'S SURPRISE WIPES OUT TEAM CRUSHER, WE'LL BE A SHOE-IN TO WIN.



IT'S TIIIIIME, PARADISE DOME!



ONCE THE LAST OF TEAM CRUSHER FINISHES DECONTAMINATING...



...YOU ARE IN FOR A TREAT!

TRINI! TRINI! THE MATCH IS--





SLIIIIIIICE



THE  
TEAMS ARE  
ENTERING  
NOW!



NO!



I HAVE  
TO WARN  
TRINI...



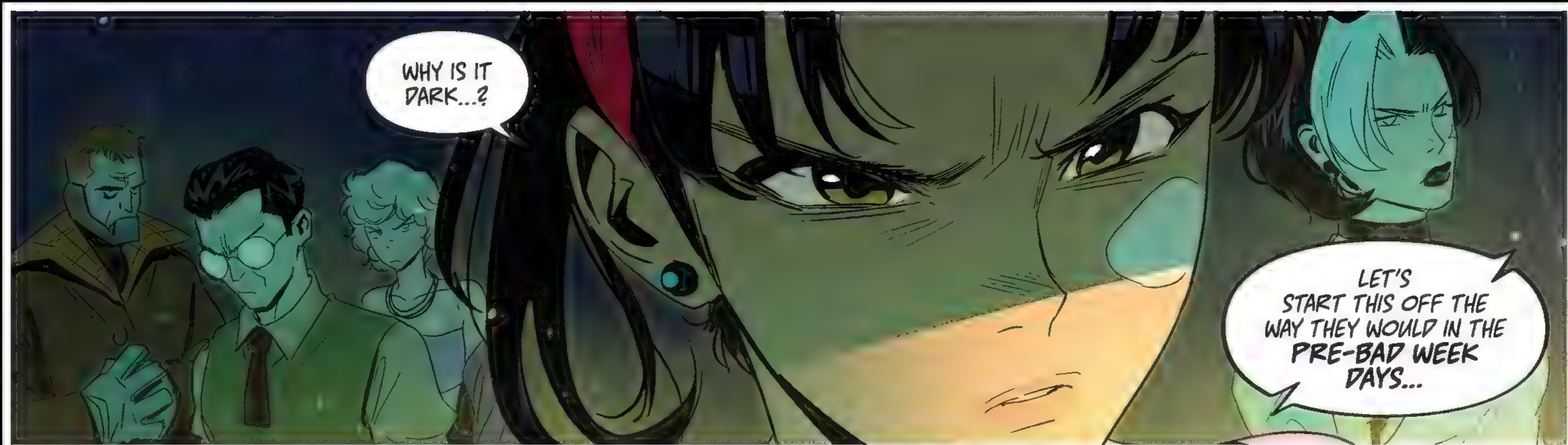
...THE MATCH  
IS RIGGED!











WHY IS IT  
DARK...?

LET'S  
START THIS OFF THE  
WAY THEY WOULD IN THE  
PRE-BAD WEEK  
DAYS...

WITH LIGHTS!

CLACK CLACK CLACK

CAMERAS...

...AND  
TYRANTS!

OH HO HO HO!

HELLO...  
SKULL-CRUSHER.







TYRANT  
CLARISSA.

WAIT, A  
TYRANT?



WHOEVER WINS  
BECOMES  
HEIR.

DID YOU THINK  
WE WOULD LET  
SOME RANDOM  
PLAYER WIN  
OVER US?

SOMEONE  
UNWORTHY...



...LIKE  
SKULL-CRUSHER.

A WASTELANDER,  
REEKING OF MUD AND  
DESPERATION.  
DIRTYING OUR  
DOMES.

MOB LET  
HER JOIN THE  
LEAGUE...



...AND OPENED  
THE DOOR TO THE  
REST OF YOU  
RADIATION  
RATS.

BUT I  
WILL NOT LET  
YOU OVERRUN  
MY SHIP.





I WILL  
DRIVE YOU  
OUT!

I WILL  
PURGE THE  
DOMES OF YOUR  
FILTH...AND THEN  
THE WHOLE  
WASTE!

SLAAAAM

I AM THE  
CYBORG QUEEN  
OF THE BOILED  
SEAS!

CRACK

BOOM

BOOM

READY  
TO TAKE THE  
AMERICAN  
THRONE!

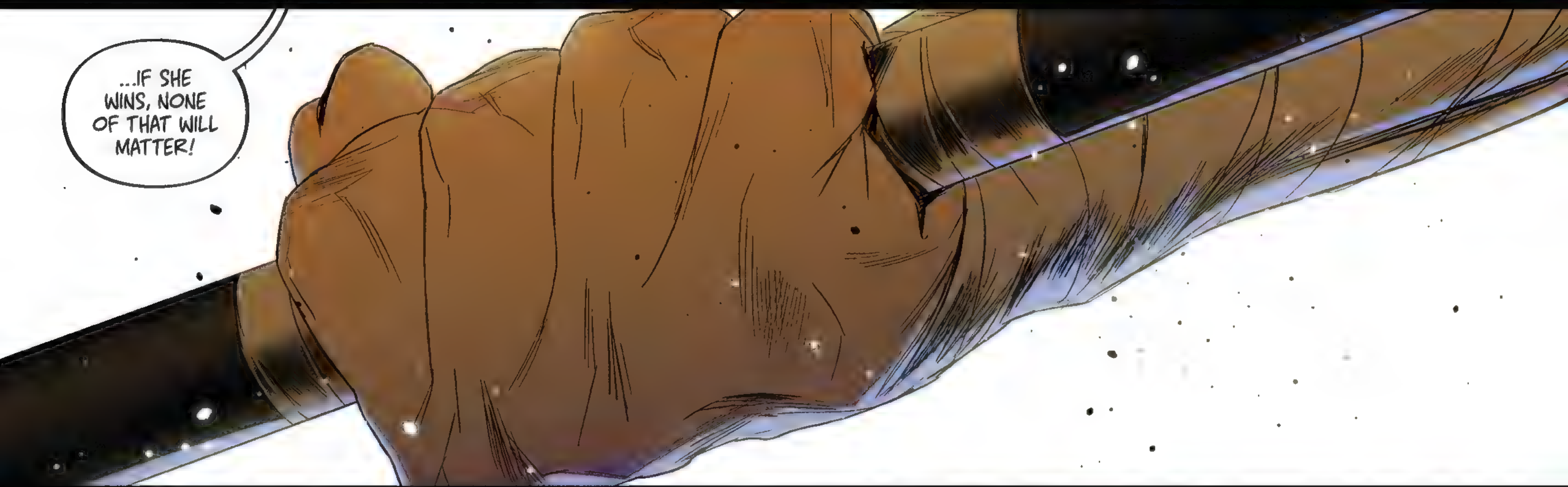
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AHHH!  
WHAT ARE WE  
SUPPOSED TO  
DO NOW?!

MY  
TEAM.











OH HO  
HO HO! VERY  
CUTE.

BUT EVERYONE  
KNOWS YOUR TEAM IS  
DEAD WEIGHT. YOU'RE  
ALONE--



NOT  
ANYMORE!

THUMP

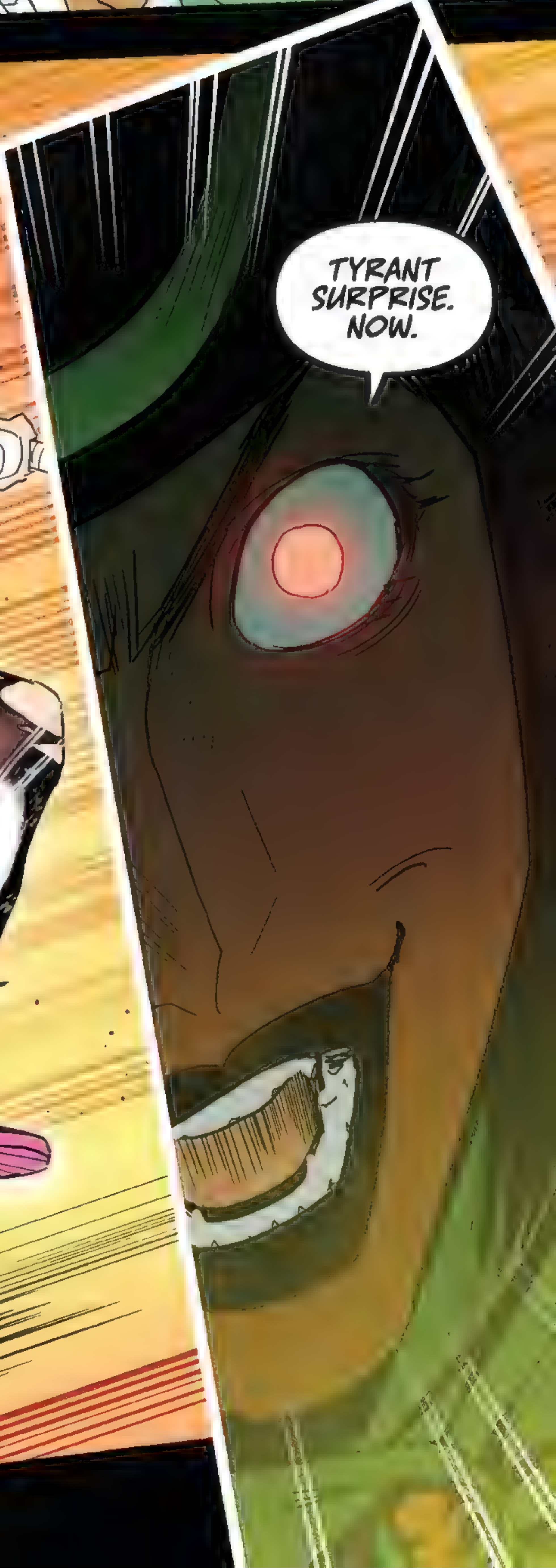
MOM, DAD. WE  
CAN DO THIS.



WE CAN STILL WIN!



IF WE PLAY WITH ALL OUR  
HEART, I KNOW WE CAN  
OVERCOME ANY--



TYRANT  
SURPRISE.  
NOW.





NO...  
SKULL--

COUGH  
COUGH...GLA...  
AHHH....

R









"...THEY'RE NOT DEAD!"



DO YOU REALLY THINK THAT LETTING THE WATER OUT WILL HELP YOU WIN?

NO, OF COURSE NOT. SEE, YOU'VE GOT THIS BACKWARDS.



"IF THE DOME BREAKS, THE WATER DOESN'T JUST GET OUT..."



"...THE RADIATION GETS IN."

"ALL US 'RATS' HAVE ALREADY BEEN EXPOSED..."

"...BUT WHAT DO YOU THINK IT'LL DO TO YOU?"







INITIATE  
LOCKDOWN!  
KEEP YOUR  
HEIR SAFE--

Blaaaaaa

I...I CAN'T  
BELIEVE THIS. NOT ONLY  
DID TYRANT CLARISSA  
ABANDON THE  
FIELD...



SO HAS  
HER WHOLE  
TEAM. THIS IS A  
FORFEIT!

NO!  
QUEEN MOB  
MUST HAVE  
SEEN--

oh, dear. That's  
the problem,  
claaaaarissaaaaa.



you're  
out. not just  
'cause they  
tricked  
you...

...but because  
Queen Mob *didn't*  
even watch your  
match.



"As if..."

"...she had something  
more important  
to do."

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